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Consumer Price Index

October 2016

Overview

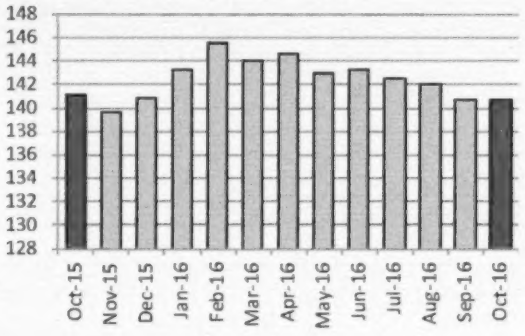
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index in October rose 0.8% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.5% for Canada, 0.7% for Edmonton, 1.3% for Whitehorse and 2.2% for Iqaluit.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

				% Change from		12-Month Average		
	16-Oct	16-Sep	15-Oct	16-Sep	15-Oct	15-Nov 16-Oct	14-Nov 15-Oct	% Change
Yellowknife	132.7	131.8	131.6	0.7	0.8	131.7	130.1	1.2
Canada	129.1	128.8	127.2	0.2	1.5	128.1	126.3	1.4
Edmonton	135.7	135.2	134.8	0.4	0.7	134.8	133.0	1.4
Whitehorse	126.1	125.9	124.5	0.2	1.3	125.1	124.0	0.9
Iqaluit	123.8	124.5	121.1	-0.6	2.2	122.9	119.9	2.5

Compared to October 2015, prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of food and health & personal care. The first annual decline in food prices in over 8 years occurred with a -0.3% change from October 2015. As indicated in the graph, food prices in Yellowknife have been on a downward trend since their peak in February.

Yellowknife CPI - Food
October 2015 to October 2016



Comparing September 2016 to October 2016, overall prices in Yellowknife increased by 0.7%. Prices rose for all major components over the last month, with the exception of food, which remained unchanged from September.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, OCTOBER 2016
SELECTED INDEXES, YELLOWKNIFE (2002 = 100)

	16-Oct	16-Sep	15-Oct	% Change from 16-Sep	% Change from 15-Oct
All Items	132.7	131.8	131.6	0.7	0.8
Food	140.7	140.7	141.1	-	-0.3
Food from Stores	139.8	139.9	141.1	-0.1	-0.9
Food from Restaurants	142.2	142.2	139.6	-	1.9
Shelter	150.5	149.6	150.1	0.6	0.3
Water, Fuel & Electricity	185.1	180.4	190.6	2.6	-2.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	116.4	116.2	115.2	0.2	1.0
Household Operations	123.1	122.5	123.1	0.5	-
Household Furnishings	101.8	102.4	98.3	-0.6	3.6
Clothing & Footwear	106.2	104.4	102.7	1.7	3.4
Clothing	99.6	97.2	94.4	2.5	5.5
Footwear	97.1	96.7	99.0	0.4	-1.9
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	148.0	145.6	146.9	1.6	0.7
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	123.0	123.0	110.0	-	11.8
Transportation	128.3	126.3	125.5	1.6	2.2
Private Transportation	128.5	125.4	126.2	2.5	1.8
Public Transportation	131.2	132.8	126.5	-1.2	3.7
Health & Personal Care	119.4	118.2	122.0	1.0	-2.1
Health Care	118.2	119.1	116.9	-0.8	1.1
Personal Care	121.4	118.9	126.7	2.1	-4.2
Recreation, Education & Reading	105.2	104.8	104.6	0.4	0.6
Recreation	100.8	100.3	100.3	0.5	0.5
Education & Reading	131.8	131.6	129.7	0.2	1.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	169.4	168.8	163.9	0.4	3.4
Alcoholic Beverages	144.8	144.6	144.0	0.1	0.6
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	202.7	201.6	189.0	0.5	7.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
All-Items Excluding:					
Food	131.2	130.2	129.9	0.8	1.0
Energy	129.0	128.4	127.2	0.5	1.4
Shelter	125.0	124.2	123.7	0.6	1.1
Alcoholic Beverages	132.4	131.5	131.3	0.7	0.8
Tobacco Products	131.4	130.6	130.5	0.6	0.7
Housing (1986 Definition)	139.8	139.3	139.5	0.4	0.2
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	169.3	165.2	178.3	2.5	-5.0
Electricity	184.8	184.8	196.8	-	-6.1
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	208.9	193.6	210.8	7.9	-0.9
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	135.4	133.4	145.2	1.5	-6.7
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, CANSIM Table 326-0020
2. CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.

Next release of CPI: December 22, 2016.